

The sleeping sickness is increasing in Philadelphia.

This is the season when fish is considered a fine brain food.

The harem skirt seems destined to a short life and an exciting one.

In Russia they call the harem skirt a "jupeallotte." That ought to kill it.

Our notion of the height of folly is an all attempt to shoot up an ocean liner.

The crusade against the housefly this year is to be exceedingly strenuous.

Man has worn the trousers too long to allow women to appropriate them without protest.

Sleeping sickness is said to be carried by gold-fish. Don't allow your gold-fish to run at large.

Among those who are not kicking about the weather are the youthful sportsmen who play "mils."

Black frost has killed the Georgia peach crop, though perhaps white frost would have been as bad.

Despite electricity in its various uses, the mule goes right on becoming every year more valuable.

Jail sentences should not be confined to women smugglers. The male wholesalers should get their share.

Paris affirms that modistes are born and not made. It is a pity that hats and gowns do not come the same way.

A new revolution is threatened in Turkey. It begins to look as if Turkey must have Spanish blood in its veins.

A Chicago mail order house has just shipped 10,000 alarm clocks to China. What China really wants is something to eat.

One man predicts the end of the world in 1912 and another sees the coming of the millennium in 1915. One of them must be wrong.

A Danish warship going to Greenland will be the first craft of that kind to enter the arctic circle. Let us hope it will not get cold feet.

If radium is to become the rival of coal as a heat producer the coal producers think that their article should be nearer the price demanded for the rival article.

An American girl is alleged to have paid \$25,000 for a handkerchief in Paris a few days ago. Foolish maiden. She might have bought an interest in a French court for that price.

A lady who seems to have investigated reports that one may live to be 150 years old if one will take the precaution to avoid the use of heavy underwear. She is likely to get in bad with the wool producers.

There is a natural precedent to support the tale of the New York dog which is turning black as the result of eating a black kitten. Plenty of human beings eat crow and, as a rule, it makes them look black.

Another kidnapper has just been sentenced to twenty-five years' imprisonment. At this rate of effective justice the kidnappers, when they regain their liberty, will find their peculiar industry among the lost arts.

An investigation recently brought out the fact that students of a well-known college are being supplied with skim milk. If the theory is correct that men are what they eat, no wonder need be expressed at the opinion lately delivered by a prominent lecturer that the colleges are turning out crooks.

It is proposed in Nevada to allow a prisoner sentenced to death to make choice between hanging or an instant and painless poison. Taken in connection with its willingness to sever unpleasant marital bonds for any old reason, this new proceeding certainly establishes past argument that the State of Nevada has a most obliging disposition.

A Gotham magistrate complimented in his court a wife who resented a beating with a forcible remonstrance conveyed by a stove lid. If all wives were so resourceful with the family furniture there would be no need of the whipping post, and even the sentimentalists could not complain that a wife injured her husband's self-respect by not taking her beatings with patient submission.

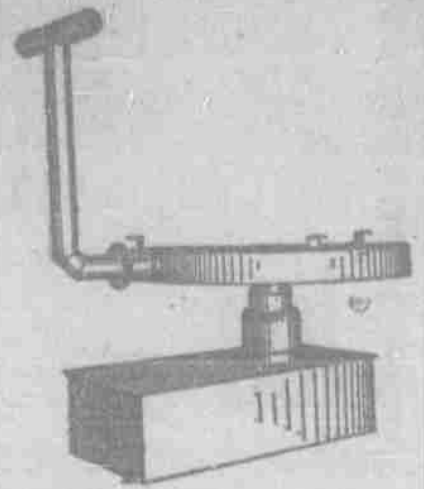
The students of a well-known women's college will probably be thrown into spasms of indignation by the statement of one of them that plain girls go to college to try to compete with rivals more endowed with natural gifts in the matrimonial market—that pretty and attractive girls do not need college training to secure husbands. This frank confession will not help to popularize college education, nor the exponents, either, of such startling candid theories.

## GASOLINE-HEATED BROODERS HAVE EXCELLENT QUALITIES

There Is No Danger Whatsoever in Operating Burner of This Variety Provided Ordinary Care Is Exercised—Common Errors.

The use of gasoline to develop heat for brooders has many points to commend it to those who raise poultry on a fairly large scale; the system involves broods of 200 chicks, so that it is not suitable for those who have only small flocks.

The principal advantages in using



Gasoline Heater for Brooder.

gasoline rather than kerosene are to secure a higher temperature when needed without forcing the heater and to save time and labor by having one brooder house serve for 200 chicks instead of 50 as is usually the case.

The form of house in which the gasoline heater is used is called the "A" type of colony house. This house is constructed 8 feet square, inside floor measurement, has 12-inch side walls and is 6 feet 6 inches from top of floor to top of ridge board. It is made with a bevel at each end to form runners or shoes upon which to draw the house about when desired.

Runners 6 inches high have been used with satisfactory results, but more often runners 10 or 12 inches high are used. The runners may be placed at the sides or ends. If the houses are to be used in orchards, it is advisable to place the runners on the sides, because this allows the house to be drawn between the rows of trees with less danger of striking.

The greatest of care should be exercised in installing the gasoline heater, as any loose-fitting connection would cause leakage of gases into the house. The form of burner that has been found the most satisfactory is one that gives a cone-shaped blaze directed up into the radiator, instead of being sent out in jets at right angles to the burner. It gives more complete combustion than the cap

type of burner and is capable of a wider range of temperature, that is, it can be turned very low for use in mild weather or will give a flame sufficiently large to maintain the proper temperature under the hovel when it is below zero outside. The burner selected should have but one control valve, as it is less complicated and less likely to clog.

Since there is only one flame to 200 chicks, instead of 4 as in the case of using kerosene-heated brooders with only 50 chicks each, the risk of fire is reduced to that extent, and any one intelligent enough to be trusted with kerosene-heated brooders can manage gasoline-heated ones, with equal safety.

The common points of error which result disastrously are: allowing too much gasoline to run into the generating cup; applying a match to the generating cup before the control valve is closed; attempting to light the burner after it has blown out in some manner and the bottom of the burner box is covered with gasoline. All of the above should be carefully avoided.

The burner should always be turned out and the wheel valve closed while the tank is being filled. To light the burner open the valve and allow the gasoline to fill the generating cup nearly full, then close. Light the

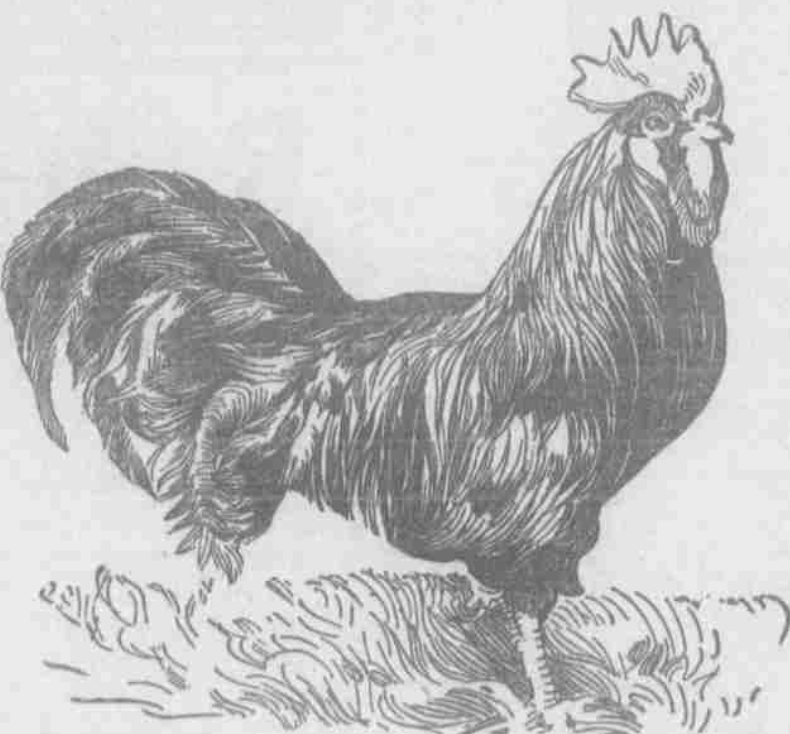


Method of Filling Heater.

gasoline and allow it to burn out. Open the control valve and hold a lighted match over the top of the burner. This will give a bright blue, cone-shaped flame, which should never be turned so high as to show red.

See that the house stands level. If it tips forward the gasoline which would flow if the flame should be extinguished would remain in the burner box. Never light the burner while there is gasoline or vapor in the box.

## SINGLE-COMB WHITE LEGHORN



When it comes to the selection of a breed one must decide between weight and egg-laying capacity. The small hens, of which the Leghorn is a type, will lay the most eggs, but they figure very lightly from the meat standpoint. The largest breeds do not lay so many eggs, but when you come to eat or sell one the weight counts.

The American breeds, of which the Plymouth Rock is a type, are splendid chickens to keep. They will lay more eggs than the very heavy breeds, although not so many as the

Mediterranean, and they are weighty and of good meat quality for the table or for sale. It is not so much the breed of chickens you keep as the way you keep them. The illustration shows a prize-winning Single-Comb White Leghorn.

Green Bone Is Valuable.  
Green bone fed to growing chickens as well as to full grown fowls is a valuable creator of blood, muscle and strength, and it cannot be beaten as an egg producer.

found that they can be successfully grown on the lowlands of almost any character, regardless of the quality of the soil. An acre produces from fifteen to twenty tons annually at less expense than a crop of potatoes on the same land.

As a food the aroids are just as nourishing as the familiar tuber and are said to be as good to eat and as adaptable to various styles of cooking. There is no reason why we should not admit this economic product into our catalogue of foodstuffs if its culture works out as successfully as the experimenters now believe it will.

Ideal Hen Run.  
An ideal place for hens to run in connection with the hen house, is the shed under the barn where the cows have been fed. They pick up many seeds and do well with such a range.

## Home Dresses



THE first might be made in any fine woolen material, and has the skirt prettily made with a panel down front and trimmed with a deep band of embroidery taken round skirt from each side of panel; the fullness at the upper edge is gathered in at waist. A collar of the embroidery trims the bodice at edge of yoke, points are cut at the lower part, these are crossed over tucked nimon, which is also used for yoke, bands of embroidery edge the sleeves; a satin waistband is worn.

Materials required: 4½ yards 48 inches wide, 1½ yards striped material for trimming, 1 yard nimon. Fine cloth is used for a becoming little dress, which has an overskirt cut with a point in front, and simply hemmed; the underskirt is quite plain and turned up with a deep hem. The bodice is prettily trimmed with fine tucks on the shoulder, also at the lower part of front, a collar of lace edged with satin turns back from a yoke of soft silk, the cuffs to match. Satin ribbon should be used to finish the waist.

Materials required: 4½ yards cloth 48 inches wide, ¼ yard silk, ¼ yard satin, 1 yard lace.

has the right side of front cut in a point where a button is sewn; figured nimon is used for the yoke and under sleeves, it is drawn up to collar band and tucked for the sleeve. A leather band finishes the waist.

Material required: 4 yards serge 48 inches wide, 1½ yards striped material for trimming, 1 yard nimon.

For a simple dress such as is shown in the second illustration, fine serge would be exceedingly nice. The narrow skirt is trimmed at foot by a band of striped material cut on the cross, this is also used for revers and cuffs on the cross-over bodice, which

is illustrated here; it is made up in this mauve crepe meter, and has a panel of figured silk let in down the right side of front, getting gradually wider as it reaches the hem; a narrow trimming edges the panel.

The bodice has one side of the crepe, the other of the silk, which is

carried in a slanting direction to opposite side and edged with trimming; from right to left below arm satin of a little darker shade is draped. A waistband of ribbon tied in a bow at sides finishes the waist.

Materials required: 4 yards crepe meter 42 inches wide, 2½ yards silk 22 inches wide, 1 yard satin 22 inches wide, about 5 yards trimming.

Embroideries for Spring Gowns.  
There is a great deal of openwork embroidery used on the new thin frocks, and one sees the old favorites, Irish, cluny and valenciennes, well represented; but there is a noticeable mingling of fine and heavy lace and embroidery, beautiful motifs of Venetian worked in among valenciennes and embroidered net or linen, etc.

newest letter paper. Some of the prettiest note paper has a very narrow border of blue, pink, gray, lavender or red and one initial at the top set in a ring of color the exact shade of the border. Correspondence cards also are thus bordered and are very pretty.

Serge Dresses.  
Dresses of white serge, plain or with black hair-line stripes, and trimmed with broad milk braids are very fashionable.

## Loss of Appetite

Which is so common in the spring or upon the return of warm weather, is loss of vitality, vigor or tone, and is often a forerunner of prostrating disease.

It is serious and especially so to people that must keep up and doing or get behindhand.

The best medicine to take for it is the great constitutional remedy

**Hood's Sarsaparilla**

Which purifies and enriches the blood and builds up the whole system.

Get it today in usual liquid form or chocolate tablets called Sarsatabs.

**RHEUMATISM**  
STOMACH Where Rheumatism Settles Waterbury  
KIDNEY Where Rheumatism Settles Waterbury  
LIVER Where Rheumatism Settles Waterbury  
WIND Where Rheumatism Settles Waterbury

WISER, ALL RIGHT.



Mr. Wise—Where's the man that struck my wife—where is he?  
 bystander—What'll you do if you find him?

Mr. Wise—Introduce him to my mother-in-law.

A Spley Subject.

John Lane, the well-known publisher, said at a literary dinner in New York:

"As an editor I find nobody so persistent as the amateur contributor. If the amateur were half as ingenious in writing his material as in trying to land it, he would become a Dickens in no time."

"An amateur said the other day to an editor I know:

"Allow me to submit this bear story."

"My readers don't care for bear stories," said the editor. "They want something spicy."

"But this," said the amateur, "is a story about a cinnamon bear."

Baby Teeth on the Table.  
"We are called upon to repair all kinds of damages," a furniture dealer the other day said. "But the most puzzling defacement I ever saw was that which appeared on a beautiful mahogany table brought in for refinishing. All around its margin were rows of scratches and small indentations which were hard to explain, as the table was otherwise unimpaired."

"What happened to it?" I asked when the owner came in.

"Well," she replied, "the baby insisted on cutting his teeth around the edge of it. Of course, it was rather expensive, but we both think there is nothing too good for the baby."

Crippled by Tuberculosis.

According to a recent report by Dr. Conrad Biesalski of Berlin, there are 75,000 cripples in the German empire out of a population of 60,500,000. Over 50,000 of the cripples are in need of proper treatment. Doctor Biesalski states that in 15 per cent. of the cripples examined, their deformity was due to tuberculosis of the bones and joints, and that there were 10,000 such children in great need of medical treatment. He advocates the establishment of seaside sanatoria for this latter class of cripples.

COFFEE CONGESTION Causes a Variety of Ails.

A happy old lady in Wisconsin says:

"During the time I was a coffee drinker I was subject to sick headaches, sometimes lasting 2 or 3 days, totally unfitting me for anything."

To this affliction was added, some years ago, a trouble with my heart that was very painful, accompanied by a smothering sensation and faintness.

"Dyspepsia, also, came to make life harder to bear. I took all sorts of patent medicines but none of them helped me for any length of time."

"The doctors frequently told me that coffee was not good for me; but without coffee I felt as if I had no breakfast. I finally decided about 3 years ago to abandon the use of coffee entirely, and as I had read a great deal about Postum I concluded to try that for a breakfast beverage."

"I liked the taste of it and was particularly pleased to notice that it did not 'come up' as coffee used to. The bad spells with my heart grew less and less frequent, and finally ceased altogether, and I have not had an attack of sick headache for more than a year. My digestion is good, too, and I am thankful that I am once more a healthy woman. I know my wonderful restoration to health came from quitting coffee and using Postum."

Name given by the Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich.

"There's a reason," and it is this. Coffee has a direct action on the liver with some people, and causes partial congestion of that organ preventing the natural outlet of the secretions. Then may follow biliousness, sallow skin, headaches, constipation and finally a change of the blood corpuscles and nervous prostration."

Read the little book, "The Road to Wellville," in page, "There's a Reason."

Ever read the above letter? A new one appears from time to time. They are genuine, true, and full of human interest.